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of the year 1906, of Forty Cents per
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after WEDNESDAY, the 28th November,
1906, on Warrants to be obtained at the
Company's Offices.

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Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on
and after the same date.

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, May 18, 1906

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"I've just telephoned to your theatre," added the American. And he pushed a slip of paper across the table.

The libraries had taken up the stalls and chairs for a moment. The Acting Manager breathed more freely.

"What a play I ordered those posters!" he muttered.

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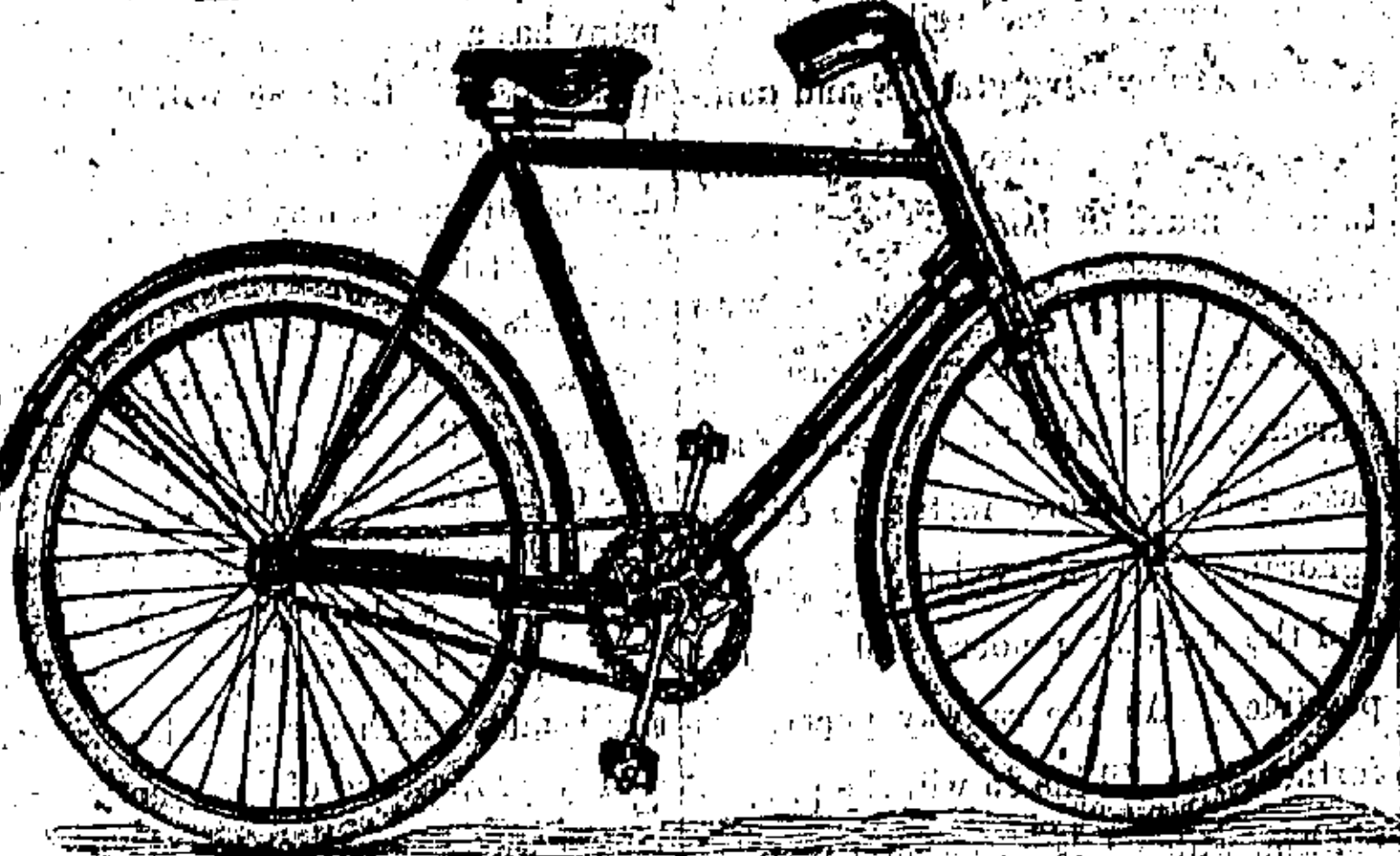
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Miscellaneous.
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date will be landed.

General Memoranda.
FRIDAY, November 30:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at Messrs Hughes & Hough's
Sales Rooms.
9 p.m.—St Andrew's Ball at City Hall.
Goods per Andalusia undelivered after
this date subject to rent.
Goods per Coptic undelivered after
5 p.m. on this date will be landed.
Goods per Nisus not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, December 1:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous Ar-
ticles, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's
Sales Rooms.
8 p.m.—Concert at Belle View Hotel.

SUNDAY, December 2:—
Goods per Coptic undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, December 3:—
9 p.m.—Dance at City Hall.
2.45 p.m.—Lectures at Victoria Hospital
Goods per Polynesia undelivered after
this date at noon will be subject to
rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, December 4:—
2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's
Justices of Peace at Magistrate's
Court.
6.30 p.m.—Organ Recital in St John's
Church.
Goods per Nisus undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, December 11:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property
at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales
Rooms.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1906.

RAILWAY ACTIVITY IN CHINA.

WHILE some of the Chinese Railway
Companies merely supply food for
meritment and object-lessness of how
it should not be done others again
show that when the right class of
Chinese take matters in hand they
can carry out large works with every
credit to themselves. The interesting
account we published last evening of
the opening of the Swatow-Chao-
chow line of the Chinese to undertake
railway construction so long as they
are not hampered by unintelligent and
corrupt officials. Only those who take
an extremely narrow view will see in
this anything but a favourable sym-
ptom. It may be that a few engineers
will have to regret prospects which
might otherwise have opened for them.
But the stimulus that will be given to
construction by the advent of the new
lines will re-act beneficially upon other
nations in that there will be a great
demand for railway material, which
the Chinese cannot provide themselves.
An era of railway construction, whether
undertaken solely by Chinese or
by Chinese and foreigners, will give
increased employment in the factories
of both the old world and the new.
Those who have the prescience to see
what is coming will make timely pre-
parations to reap the rich harvest
which is even now ripening. Prospects
are opening for British iron-masters
which are almost illimitable and if the
most is made of the golden opportunity
there should be an unprecedented
revival of British trade. All that is
necessary is that intelligent activity
should be shown by the representatives
of great British concerns in order to
prevent our commercial rivals secur-
ing the cream of the market which is
just opening. The Chinese are pre-
judiced in our favour, or to speak with
more regard for accuracy, they are
not so much prejudiced against us as
they are against some of the other na-
tions. British goods have obtained a
world-wide reputation for reliability
and the Chinese are seized with this
fact. Thus agents for British firms will
have an easier task in securing orders
for the numerous requirements which
increased railway construction will
create. There seems every prospect of
a return of the "good old times" which
are only known to most of us through
the lament of the "old hands." For
China also the increase of railways will
be beneficial in more ways than one.
Poets have grieved over the strict

utilitarianism of the railway, of the
absence of anything graceful and dain-
ty about a locomotive, but in reality
there is much of poetry in the "iron
horse of commerce." It carries with
it into the dark places of the earth the
learning and the light which are
possessed by more fortunate climes.
Ignorance can only exist in isolation
and the railway renders isolation im-
possible. As the railway penetrates
further into China so will the provin-
cialism which has retarded her devel-
opment quite as much as conservatism
at Peking, give place to broader views.
Travel is the finest educational factor
known and with increased facilities in
this direction the advance of China will
be as rapid as her most enthusiastic
well-wishers can hope. It is not too
much to say that a year of unregis-
tered intercourse between the people of
the coast and the interior would do
more towards preparing the country
for administration upon improved lines
than a decade spent in "issuing" de-
corously worded Edicts which may mean
much or nothing. We hail with great
satisfaction the progress that China is
making in regard to her railways and
we look forward to the time when the
whole of that great country is happy
in the possession of a lace-work of
lines which will bring her most remote
people into touch with all that is noble
and beneficial in modern civilization.

At the meeting of the Sanitary
Board yesterday the unique spectacle
was afforded of the President being in
possession of a legal opinion bearing
upon a question which the whole Board
had delegated a select committee to
investigate and refusing to produce the
opinion for the information of the
committee or the Board. The reason
given by the President was that he had
not been authorised by the Govern-
ment to do so. The Board and its
select committee being the judges to
decide the matter in question are con-
sidered to have no right to adjudicate on
evidence which is incomplete, a portion
of it having been withheld. No doubt
this will come to the notice of the un-
official members of the Legislative
Council, who, it is hoped, will ask for
some explanation.

The news that General Booth has
decided to pay a visit to Japan early
next year is interesting. There are a
few detachments of the Salvation Army
in Japan but the General seems to have
received rather an exaggerated account
of the influence they have been enabled
to exert. He declares that the army
has been instrumental in saving 30,000
geishas from bondage. Of course this
may be true, but persons who have
been lately resident in Japan have not
observed any diminution in the numbers
of these dainty little creatures. The
Japanese Government will possibly be
at a loss to understand how to receive
the venerable General. He has been
received with honours by Kings and
Presidents in other parts of the world
but that was in States which were pro-
fessedly Christian. The Emperor of
Japan is a devout Shintoist and he can
scarcely be expected to hail with en-
thusiasm such a fiery missionary as
the Officer Commanding the Salvation
Army. However religious tolerance
prevails in Japan and the Emperor has
shown his breadth of mind by contri-
bution to the funds of the Young Men's
Christian Association which did excel-
lent work with the Japanese armies in
the late war. It may be assumed that
General Booth will be received with the
politeness for which the Japanese are
renowned; a politeness which deceives
the unobservant into believing that
the impression they have made is much
deeper than it is in reality.

Although it was hoped that the
Algeiras Conference would bring a
settlement of the Moroccan difficulty this
anticipation has been only partially
justified. The danger of a collision
between France and Germany was
happily dispelled but the Moors have
become more aggressive than ever.
This, no doubt, is due to a belief that
the jealousies of the European powers
are such that no drastic action will be
permitted. Apparently the Moors have
reckoned without their host. France and
Spain are prepared to make a significant
demonstration and they have at least the
moral support of Great Britain. Ger-

many has as yet made no sign but it is
quite possible that she will choose to
take no part in whatever action is
decided upon. It may be that a more
demonstration will be sufficient to being
the Moors to their senses but if it is neces-
sary to teach them a lesson it is to be hop-
ed that it will be an effective and conclu-
sive one. These mismanaged states are
constant sources of danger to the peace
of Europe. So long as a small state is
well governed its integrity is assured but
small states which are misruled are con-
stantly provocative of intervention, and
intervention is always attended with dan-
ger. Were it not for this Turkey would
have been compelled to put her house
in order long ago and the Balkans
would not be a constant source of anxiety
to the European Chancelleries. It is to
be hoped that the increasing concord
among the great powers will, in due
time, lead to concerted action being
taken in order to make that harmony
assured and permanent.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

There were 300 Europeans and 140
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,
and 183 Europeans and 2,825 Chinese
visitors to the Museum during the week
ended 26th Nov.

The case in which Henry Charles Ho-
gan has been figuring in Singapore for some
time fall through when before the Criminal
Assize Court, a telegram showing that ac-
cused was not guilty of cheating in the
share deal with the prosecutor.

The master of the Chinese passenger
launch "Hong Yik," found asleep by the
police while the vessel was wandering into
Tai Ho harbour with no one at the wheel,
was fined \$25, at the Magistracy, this
morning, for careless navigation.

The leading illustrated papers in the
world have been well supplied with
photographs concerning the September 18
typhoon. We have seen excellent repro-
ductions in Australian, American, French
and British journals, the latest to hand be-
ing the Graphic, which contains a page of
illustrations under the heading "Wreck
Straw Hongkong." One of the pictures is
from the remarkable set taken by Mr. W.
Nicholson, of Messrs Butterfield and
Swire's. A mistake is made by naming the
wrecked French torpedo boat "Francisque"
instead of "Fronde," but otherwise Graphic
readers will get a good idea of the damage
wrought.

Thanksgiving dinner will be served at
the Kowloon Hotel to-morrow evening at
8 o'clock, when the Salento String Band
will play the following programme of
music:—
March..... "Stars and Stripes"..... Sousa
Selection..... "Torreador"..... Monckton
Valse..... "The Chatterbox"..... Pielops
Overture..... "Poet and Peasant"..... Suppe
Cata Walk..... "Nayavo"..... Van Alstyne
Selection..... "The Orchid"..... Monckton
Barr Dance..... "Jossie"..... Pielops
Fantasia..... "The Rhinoceros Girl"..... Fridman

Civil Servants' Pay.
The civil servants do not evidently
intend to sit down quietly under the recent
rebut their application for compensation
received from the Secretary of State for
the Colonies. Some time ago a petition
setting out the position of the civil
servants in the Colony and their claims
to consideration at the hands of the
Home authorities was drawn up and has
now almost completed the rounds of the
Government departments and it is report-
ed, is being signed by the whole of the
civil servants irrespective of their position
in the service.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr
Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 28th at 11.55 a.m. The barom-
eter has fallen rapidly since 2. Japan,
owing to the depression which is now
moving into the Pacific to the North of
Hokkaido.
It is followed by another depression over
N. China, where the barometer has again
fallen considerably.
Pressure is still highest over the
Yangtze valley.
The monsoon will moderate in the
Formosa Channel, but continue to blow
strongly over the China Sea.
Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours end-
ing at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon
to-morrow:
1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood:
N.E. winds, moderate; fine.
2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds
fresh.
3.—South coast of China between Hong-
kong and Lamecks: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hong-
kong and Hainan: Same as No. 2.

A WORKMAN applied to Mr. Fildon, the
Magistrate at the Marylebone Police Court,
for advice about his son, who is seven
years old. He said that the boy had a
large appetite and stole food. "Feed
him," said Mr. Fildon. "I cannot sure
his appetite."

GROUP.

GIVE Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as
soon as the child becomes hoarse, or
cough, or the cough comes on, and
the attack may be ward off. It is a
better medicine in the market for children
than this remedy. It contains nothing
injurious and as it is pleasant to the taste
they readily take it. For sale by all
chemists and druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

**A FRIGHTFUL
HOLOCAUST.**

FRENCH SHIP BURNED.

Three Hundred Persons Missing.
(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay.)

LONDON, November 27.
A fire broke out, at night, on board
the torpedo schoolship "Algeiras"
(5047 tons), which is stationed at
Toulon, France.

Within a brief space of time after
the outbreak was first noticed the
entire vessel was enveloped in flames.
The fire was so great and the heat
so intense that the other ships-of-war
in the harbour were threatened with
destruction.

In order to prevent this from hap-
pening orders were given to torpedo
the burning ship.

This was done and she sank.
Five hundred persons were on board
the "Algeiras" at the time of the fire
and of that number three hundred are
missing.

(REUTERS'S SERVICE.)
THE MOROCCO TROUBLE.

A Crisis Near.

LONDON, November 26.
It is announced that the Franco-Spanish
action will be confined to Tangier and its
vicinity, and will apparently be largely
directed to restoring the authority of the
Sultan, which has been usurped by the
brigand Raquid.

Europeans Leaving.

LONDON, November 26.
Owing to the threatening attitude of the
natives, several Europeans have been
obliged to abandon their villas outside
Tangier.

NORWAY'S INTEGRITY.

LONDON, November 26.
The Berlin Tagblatt states that King
Hakon has circulated the Powers, asking
for a guarantee of Norway's integrity.
Russia, France and Germany have already
assented.

THE PORTSMOUTH STRIKE.

LONDON, November 26.
At a Court Martial at Portsmouth
Monday, the ringleader of the strikers, was
sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

RUSSIA.

Another Bomb Outrage.

LONDON, November 26.
General Davidoff has been the victim of
a bomb outrage at Theodosia.
The General escaped unhurt.
The assailant was captured.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

Serious Diplomatic Differences
According to a Tokyo dispatch, the
negotiations between the Japanese and
Russian Governments in regard to the
fishing-grounds held by the Russians in
Khabarovsk (South Saghalien) are at a stand-
still, in consequence of a disagreement
which has arisen as to the interpretation
of the Portsmouth Treaty. It has been
mutually agreed that the settlement of the
dispute be postponed, pending the
conclusion of the treaty of commerce, which is
now being negotiated.

It is also reported that another disagree-
ment has occurred in the course of the
negotiations of the treaty of commerce now
in progress in St. Petersburg. The Russian
Government, it is stated, proposes to allow
Japanese fishermen to use the ports and
months of rivers along the seaboard
of Siberia for their fishing stations.
The Japanese Minister in St. Petersburg
considering this proposal inadequate,
demanded that the Amur River should also
be opened. The Russian Government
refused the demand, and declared that, if the
demand were persisted in, the negotiations
must be broken off. The Japanese Minis-
ter was firmly persistent in his demand, and
hinted that an absolute refusal on the part
of Russia to open the Amur would be
followed by "deplorable consequences."
Japan Chronicle.

FROM THE ANTILLES.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY
BENEFITS A CITY COUNCILMAN
AT KINGSTON, JAMAICA.

MR. W. O'Reilly, Mayor, who is a mem-
ber of the City Council at Kingston,
Jamaica, writes as follows:
"One bottle of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy had good effect on a cough that
was quite intractable and which I should
have been more quickly relieved if I had
continued the remedy. It was very ben-
eficial and quick in relieving me there is no
doubt and it is as pleasant to the taste
as any other remedy. For sale by all chemists
and druggists."

BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW JAPANESE CRUISER.

A SATISFACTORY TRIAL.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Nov. 28.

A speed trial of the new Japanese cruiser "Takuba" has been held. The cruiser developed a speed of 21 knots.

SHANGHAI DOCK AND ENGINEERING CO.

WHARF AND GODOWN SCHEME CONFIRMED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, November 28.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company yesterday the scheme in connection with the formation of a Wharf and Godown Company was confirmed.

The votes recorded in favour of the scheme represented 33,238 shares, while those cast against it represented 2723 shares.

THE ANTI-OPIMUM PROPAGANDA.

Mr. Alexander, the Hon. Secretary of the Anti Opium Society of Great Britain is on his way to Hongkong, and is here in the interests of the Society he represents. He has been paying a visit to Canton and only reached Hongkong last evening. He has not allowed the grass to grow under his feet, however, for he has arranged to address a meeting of Chinese in the evening in the Chapel of the London Mission in Hollywood Road. There was a large attendance. Indeed the building was very full and seats had to be placed in the aisles in order to accommodate the members present. Probably, however, most of these present were native Christians. There were perhaps a dozen Europeans also at the meeting. The Ven. Archbishop Santer presided.

Mr. Alexander addressed the meeting in English, and his paragraphs were interpreted into Chinese by the Rev. T. W. Pearce. Mr. Alexander was also accompanied by a Chinese native minister from New Zealand, who seemed to have a most intelligent face, and who has seen service in the interests of the Society he represented, in the Southern Hemisphere.

Mr. Alexander's work is to-day an easy one. Fifteen years ago it was supposed to be an evidence of faddism to venture to speak the truth in regard to the use of opium, and those who did so were naturally regarded as strong partisans—if nothing worse. That day, however, has gone, and in this case, as in so many others, those who have lifted up the voice against wrong have in the long run been the victors; in other words public opinion is rapidly taking shape against, not only the abuse, but the use of opium, in the way the Chinese take it. Mr. Alexander said last night that he need only refer to the decisions arrived at by the Australian, the New Zealand, the Transvaal, the Japanese and the American legislatures; and the laws made by these several bodies, without any exception, against the use of opium have proved and do prove to-day conclusively what is the opinion of those men who have to deal with and legislate on the subject.

I did not hear the entire speech, but what I heard was clearly stated, and there can be no doubt that to-day the anti-opiumists have facts to stand upon, and they will be justified in using them.

Mr. Alexander is, I believe, staying in Hongkong four days. He will then proceed north, and hopes, not only to address general meetings, but also to visit some of the leading officials of China and assist in getting the prominent mandarins to take this matter seriously, and once for all legislate that opium smoking and opium growing may be put down throughout the Empire. It is well known that the British House of Commons have voted that under certain conditions steps shall be taken to bring to an end the trade with India.

It seems a pity that Mr. Alexander cannot arrange to meet and address a large gathering of business Chinese, some of whom will not care to attend a Christian Chapel, when there could be a general discussion of the question, and where the views of the more intelligent natives might be heard on the matter. Communicated.

LAME BACK.

THIS ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles, and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day, and rubbing the parts rigorously at each application. It does not afford relief, but on a piece of balm slightly dampened with Pain Balm, and quick relief is almost sure to follow. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson presiding. There were also present Hon. Mr. A. W. Brown, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Capt. F. J. B. Bateley, Dr. F. Clark, Lieut. Colonel Reid, Messrs H. Humphreys, A. Shelton Hooper, Fun. Wa Chun, Lau Chu Pak and G. A. Woodcock (Secretary).

SCAVENGING IN VILLAGES.
Messrs Fung Wa Chun, H. Humphreys and Dr. F. Clark, who were recently appointed as a committee to report on the advisability of enforcing sanitary bye-laws in rural districts delivered their report as follows:—"We have considered these bye-laws, and are of the opinion that their application is limited, by the wording of bye-law No. 1 to the City of Victoria, the Hill Districts and the larger villages in the Colony, and that any district for which no provision of dust-carts, dust-bins, dust-boats and conservancy-boats has been made is exempt from the operation of these bye-laws."

"We regard the following as coming within the definition of the 'larger villages': Shaukiwan, Quarry Bay, Aberdeen, Stanley, Tsimshatsai, Hungshom, Yau-nai, Tai-kotai, Hok On, Mongkoktsai, Sham-shi-poo, Fuktsunheung and Kowloon City."

The Hon. Registrar General thought that the committee appeared to have a wrong conception of the meaning of bye-law No. 1, and on his motion the matter was referred back to the committee for further consideration.

THE BOARD'S MEETING TIME.
The President in accordance with the notice of motion given a fortnight ago moved "That the time of the Board's meetings be changed from 4.15 to 2.30 p.m."

In supporting the motion he said that as he had explained 2.30 was a more convenient hour of meeting for many reasons than 4.15. Some of the meetings were very protracted and that meant that they were practically kept there beyond the usual business hours observed in the Colony. The Legislative Council met at 2.30 and he would prefer that the Board should meet at the same time. At present he never knew what was going to be sprung upon him and he was much fresher to answer questions that cropped up at 2.30 than at 4.15. If it was the wish of members however, he was quite willing to give way to the will of the majority.

The Hon. Mr. Hewett moved an amendment to the President's motion that the Board continue to meet at 4.15 p.m. He said that he could quite understand, with all due deference to the official members who had to attend as officials and were compelled to attend, that it would be more convenient for them to do official work during office hours. They must, however, remember that the majority of the Board were unofficials, who had their business to attend to during business hours. Most of them not only had their time during business hours occupied but in the case of the Sanitary Board were called upon to do a certain amount of work in what they believed was the public interest, outside of their business time. He and his colleagues had to give up a great deal of leisure time to this work, and if business men were not prepared to come forward and take their share in this work it would be a great misfortune to the Colony. He did not suggest that their places could not be filled by other men equally as good as themselves, but he personally was not prepared to give up the whole afternoon to the Board's work. He had a great many demands upon his time and did not think it was just to ask business men to come to the Board's meetings during office hours when they were prepared to do the work in their own time, outside of office hours.

If the matter were forced upon them he would be very reluctantly compelled to represent it to His Excellency the Governor, who had done him the honour to appoint him to the Board, and explain that he was unable to attend the Board's meetings any longer. There was always a difficulty in getting people to serve unofficially and while they had to give up a great deal of time to the public work of the Colony it was absurd that they should do the public work in business time when leisure hours were available. He strongly protested against the proposal and contended that if carried it would be against the best interests of the Colony.

Mr. H. Humphreys seconded the amendment.

Mr. Shelton Hooper said that he was sorry to find himself at difference with his unofficial colleagues. He thought that Mr. Hewett had made a mistake when he said that coming to the Board's meetings at 2.30 would deprive him of a whole afternoon. He did not know what Mr. Hewett's business hours were.

Mr. Hewett interjected that he knew his own business.

Mr. Hooper was not speaking of Mr. Hewett's business. He would speak for himself and say that it was much more convenient for him to be absent from his office from 2.30 until 3.15 than from 4.15 till 6 o'clock. This was what he meant and he no intention of being personal in his remarks. He thought that if the business men of the Colony were consulted most of them would support what he had said because the majority of the directors of the public companies in the Colony met at 2.30. This was sufficient answer to what Mr. Hewett had said. As regards the officials he did not think that it was quite just to say that they were forcing the proposal on to the unofficials. He took it that the officials also had work to do during office hours, and if they looked upon this as work they were working *pro bono publico*, which was the grandest form of government. He supported the motion.

Mr. Hewett pointed out that the meetings of the Board, as Mr. Hooper knew very well, sometimes lasted for two hours and sometimes longer. They rarely took less than an hour and a half.

Mr. Humphreys said that the Board meetings took place at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Hooper named several companies that met earlier.

Hon. Capt. Bateley thought that the question was one in which they should be entirely guided by the views of the majority of the unofficial members.

Mr. Hewett said that Mr. Fung Wa Chun and Mr. Lau Chu Pak were entirely of the same opinion as Mr. Humphreys and himself. The proposal would, if carried, simply mean that he would be forced to leave the Board.

The President said that as the majority of the unofficial members were against the motion, and he agreed with Captain Bateley, he would withdraw it.

A WELL CLOSED.
It was decided to close the well at No. 16 Gage Street, regarding the quality of the water in which the Government Bacteriologist and the Government Analyst were at difference, without discussion.

In connection with the recent outbreak of rinderpest at Pokfulam the President explained that there had been no further cases and that the infected cattle had been destroyed.

THE WEST KENTS.

Departure from Hongkong.

The second battalion of the Royal West Kent Regiment (The Queen's Own) left Hongkong to-day by the transport "Soudan," on route for Singapore, where they are to remain for a term.

The men who came down from the north of China were embarked yesterday but the remainder, those who have been stationed in Hongkong, went on board this morning. Embarkation commenced early in the morning and was continued right up till noon when the last man had gone aboard.

In all there were sixteen officers and 688 non-commissioned officers and men embarked, not including women and children. The officers who left by the "Soudan" were: Lieutenant-Colonel H. G. Fitton, D.S.O., Major E. F. Venables, Captains E. D. C. Moody, C. E. Kitson and C. Druce.

Captain and Adjutant F. J. Joslin, Lieutenants H. D. Bolger, M. J. Dinwiddie, O. Y. Hilbert and F. B. Humphreys.

Second Lieutenants M. W. Graham, H. J. Dwyer, W. G. Yates, W. S. C. Hamley and N. I. Whitty. Hon. Lieutenant and Quarter-Master T. Sumner, Band-Master T. McKelvey, Quarter-Master Sergeant J. R. Wood, Armourer Staff Sergeant J. Irwin, Mrs. Kison, Mrs. Sumner and School-Mistress E. Ingram were also passengers by the "Soudan."

THE RUSSIAN ARMY IN THE FAR EAST.

In reference to the movements of the Russian army in the Far East, a Tokyo dispatch states that the withdrawal of the Russian forces in the Far East is progressing very slowly. About ten divisions are still stationed in the Far East, being scattered over the neighbourhood of Vladivostok and in North Manchuria, with headquarters at Harbin. In North Manchuria the military force extends from Mongolia to Kirin, its strength being about three divisions.

It is difficult to gauge the numerical strength of the Russian force in Manchuria, continues this dispatch, but it is estimated to be not less than 140,000 men. The delay in the withdrawal of the Russian troops is partly attributed to economical causes. It is considered inexpedient to disturb the commercial traffic on the Siberian railway by military transport, and the authorities also desire that a large accumulation of war stores, which are really unfit for use in time of peace, should be consumed. The real motive of the Russian Government in delaying the evacuation can be guessed at, and is the dispatch, from the activity of the Russian forces in Manchuria, which are scattered between Mongolia and Kirin.

THE FAR EAST.

THE OPIUM REGULATIONS.
Writing on the question of the new Opium Regulations the *N. C. Daily News* of November 24, says: "It is inevitable in view of previous experience that a considerable amount of scepticism should prevail regarding the intention and ability of the Government to stamp out opium-smoking."

The case of Japan is not really analogous as the practice had not obtained the hold on the Japanese that it has on China. It would seem, therefore, to require a spontaneous determination of the people as a whole to rid themselves of the vice to enable such drastic regulations to be carried out effectively. But apart from the question of the Government's power to enforce their method of eradicating the use of opium the regulations open up serious financial considerations. The revenue derived from the taxes on opium houses forms no inconsiderable item in a provincial budget. To replace this it may be necessary to levy other taxes, and the moment is far from opportune for such a policy in any part of China. There can be no doubt that the Government will be confronted with serious difficulties in its attempt to suppress the smoking of opium, and the resolution with which it faces these will be an earnest of the sincerity of its intentions. For foreigners as well as for Chinese the fate of the new regulations has an absorbing interest. It would be idle to ignore the possibility of serious trouble throughout the Empire, if the people elected to resist the enforcement of the regulations. On the other hand it may be presumed that if the attempt to suppress the smoking of opium, now that it has reached its present stage, ends in a fiasco, the failure will be attended by widespread results in Peking. The issue of the regulations constitutes a triumph for the Reform party headed by Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai and Yang Shao-yi, and they are likely to stand or fall by the experiment.

SHANGHAI IN PARAGRAPHS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, November 27.

Epitaph is very divided over the decision of the Municipal Council to comply with the request of the Chinese Volunteers and admit them as a Company of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps. They have taken the standpoint that it will create an excellent spirit of good comradeship and will firmly unite the better-class of natives with the foreigners should it become necessary to show force in the event of trouble. On the other hand, it is to be expected that these men, however earnest their intentions may be, would shoot down their own countrymen and remain absolutely loyal to the foreigners. We shall train them in our own methods. How will they use their knowledge—for or against us? It is a question so serious that it is hardly to be wondered the majority of old residents condemn the plan. Then, also, there is the deep-rooted objection to do anything hand in hand with the yellow-men, and already there are rumours of resignation rather than work, if not in the same Company, in the same cause with the Chinese. This may be only prejudice but it is a prejudice which will die hard. The Chinese Volunteers have readily submitted to the regulations enacting that they should be under the command of foreign officers, that the words of command should be given in English, that arms should be issued to the Company only when on drill or on service and that their number should not exceed 100, and if the number of efficient falls below fifty the Company is to be disbanded. In its present form, the Company totals 300, so it says much for the self-sacrifice of many of its units that they willingly retire in order to comply with the regulations of the Municipal Council.

Please have patience when you see here is another paragraph about the Sikh Police who had the temerity to go on strike. Major Hall's investigation has proved that our sympathies were not very well founded. The sentiment voiced before remains, and we still urgently plead for the permanent appointment of an officer, with a knowledge of the characteristics and language of these gallant black men. The majority of them are gallant and because a handful of their numbers have departed from the paths of loyalty, there is no reason that they should all suffer for the fault. It has been proved that eight of the men at least were active ringleaders in instigating a strike. Judgment against them was suspended until full enquiry could be made into their action and the causes of such action, and when it was ascertained that the men were not of the highest character and were likely always to cause trouble wherever they might be, they were still given the chance of finding heavy securities for their future good behaviour. However, they have been unable to do this and so in order to prove to the remaining Indians that the powers to be are not to be laughed at and also to remove the possibility of future friction owing to the discontent of the men on trial, they have been ordered back to India. It was in the power of the Judge to order them to pay their own expenses home, but the Municipal Council have had sufficient grace to relieve them of the obligation. It is a severe lesson, but there can be no doubt it was needed if we are to place absolute reliance in the loyalty and good intentions of our Sikh police.

The Vice-Consul General in charge of the American Consular Court has decided that in the case of Woo Ah-sung, C. A. Biddle, the plaintiff alleged that defendant had secured \$8,000 from him by false pretences, there was no prima facie case against Mr. Biddle and therefore it was dismissed. Mr. Biddle has been very fortunate, because we all know the Chinese never would have rented the Grand Stand without believing that gambling would be permitted. That is how they saw a return on the large sum of money they expended for the use of the Stand and it is rough luck on them that their agreement did not distinctly show that in the event of gambling being forbidden the money paid over should be returned. Well, they must count on their profile of past meetings to tide them over this little trouble, and, it is generally understood, they will be very well able to do so.

Whatever has happened to mails from England? It was my unthinking exclamation when the postman delivering the French mail brought me letters of two consecutive weeks. The explanation was easy. The mail brought out by the C. P. R. arrived in Shanghai on the same day as letters dispatched by the French mail, although they were posted exactly a week later. It is very delightful and considerably bridges the distance between us and home. The English mail has been delivered and only a solitary letter, sent by a happy soul quite unmindful that mails for the East should be despatched on certain days, has reached me. And all this applies to the French boats also because what is the good of writing one week when you can hold over news for another seven days knowing it will arrive just as quickly. Better a quick and regular fortnightly service than an uncertain and long weekly one, and we homesick folk in Shanghai rejoice exceedingly. Of course, the personal pleasure of receiving letters from friends is a very minor detail compared with the convenience this quick travel means to business men who have watched very eagerly the trial of the new route.

Everybody knows that luggage landed at Shanghai comes under, or is supposed to come under Custom inspection, but hitherto passengers arriving on tenders from Wootung with personal luggage have escaped the infliction. However, that is a happy state of things belonging to the past and

passengers of to-day are amply making up for erstwhile comfort. Poor wretches, wind or rain or snow, it is all the same and they have to stand and shiver because of the negligence of the officials who know so little of the work which they are paid to do. It was understood that when the covered pontoon in front of the Customs House was finished, passengers from all ocean-going steamers should be landed there and their luggage subjected to a quick and orderly examination. There would have been few to grumble if the inspection had been orderly and if they had been conveyed to the scene of examination, but, as usual, no arrangements were made beforehand and passengers by the "Empress of Japan" the first steamer whose passengers underwent the trial were landed at the P. & O. Jetty and there discovered their goods were to be at the mercy of Custom officials. Fortunately, it did not rain, but a bleak wind blowing along the Bund hurried a flow of language to the lips of the unfortunate souls which was neither complimentary to Shanghai nor to the casual methods of the Customs.

SPORTING.

Racing.

On Saturday morning next the St. Andrew's Stakes, a race open for all Subscribers griffins, will be contested at Happy Valley. The first bell will ring at 7 o'clock and the race will commence at 7.30.

Special trains are now running to the race course each morning (Sundays excepted) from Fadder's Street at 6 and 6.15 respectively.

Hockey.

CLUB A. R. M. S. "KENT," "ZAMAR," AND DESTROYERS.
Tomorrow afternoon, on the Club Ground, at 4.45 p.m. sharp, the following will represent the Club playing in Colour:—Rev. C. G. Searle, E. Gaster, C. F. Chater, T. C. Vernon, A. B. Ogle, R. F. C. Master, H. G. C. Bailey, P. P. J. Wodehouse, W. W. G. Ross, A. N. Other, and L. G. Bird (Captain).

THE USE OF OPIUM.

Suggested Regulations.

It is understood that in accordance with the Imperial Edict of September 20, the Grand Council of State have made eleven recommendations to the Throne in regard to the regulation and speedy suppression of the opium habit; that these have received the Imperial sanction and will be promulgated at an early date. The proposed regulations are:

The cultivation of the poppy and the use of opium are to cease within ten years. The cultivation of the poppy may not be extended beyond its present limits; it must be restricted annually by one tenth of its present area. In the event of any evasion of this regulation the land of the cultivator is liable to be confiscated. On the other hand, if the cultivation is ceased earlier, rewards will be given.

All persons using opium must be registered under a yamou or with their village headman. No unregistered person may purchase opium. No person may commence the use of opium after the issue of these regulations.

Methods must be devised for decreasing opium smoking by persons addicted to the habit. Those above the age of sixty years will be treated leniently. Persons under sixty years of age must decrease their smoking by two per cent annually. Persons who evade this regulation will be punished.

All shops selling opium will be closed gradually. All places where opium is smoked on the premises will be closed within six months. All sales of opium smokers' requisites must cease within one year.

Opium duties must not be collected from one month after the issue of these regulations. All opium shops must be registered officially with a view to their gradual closing. No new opium shops may be opened.

All persons purchasing opium must present their tickets of registration and all shops must submit annual statements showing the decrease in their sales. Local officials must arrange to assist the people addicted to the use of opium by distributing at cost price or gratis suitable medicines which are not to contain opium or morphia.

Anti-Opium Societies will be officially encouraged. All officials are directed to assist by their example in enforcing these regulations. Those who faithfully carry out the wishes of the Government will be rewarded. All officials who do not comply with the regulations will be severely punished. Special arrangements will be made to allow Princes, Dukes, Viceroys and Tartar Generals to provide substitutes for their posts during the period of their cure. All officials under sixty must abandon the habit within six months; if they cannot do so they must retire.

"AN AMERICAN."

The following notice has been exhibited in the window of a Cornhill tailor:—

My Sirs:—
As respects Selskild with a view to Kwalli and Sille Kombynd with Ekonomical Charges
No American spoke and note hear
wen Helsinki

The East Presbyter (Swiss) Board of Guardians are trying the experiment of setting their usual visitors to work at corn crushing and of selling the crushed grain to farmers and others as food for cattle.

NOTHING TO FEAR.

MOTHERS need have no hesitancy in giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their little ones, as it contains absolutely nothing injurious. This remedy is not only perfectly safe to give small children but is a medicine of great worth and merit. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The final practice dance in connection with St. Andrew's Ball was held last evening and was very successful. The ball promises to be exceptionally brilliant.

The senior Non-Commissioned officers of the Royal Engineers will hold their usual fortnightly quadrille party in the Royal Engineers Theatre on Friday evening next. Dancing from 8 till midnight.

According to American papers, H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught, who headed the Garter Mission to Japan in February last, is engaged to Lady Marjorie Manners, daughter of the Marchioness of Granby, and a grand-daughter of the late Duke of Rutland.

Bandmaster T. McKelvey, of the Second Royal West Kent Regiment, left by the transport "Soudan" to-day. At about noon, Sir Francis Pigott (Chief Justice) accompanied by two or three gentlemen, went alongside the transport and presented Mr. McKelvey with a very handsome silver cup. In doing so Sir Francis Pigott said:—"We could not let you leave the Colony without giving you something as an appreciation of your services and the pleasure you have given to others. We hope you will always have pleasant recollections of this Colony." Mr. McKelvey expressed his thanks briefly and remarked that whatever pleasure he and his band had given to the Colony was as much a pleasure to themselves. Cordial good-byes were exchanged and the launch departed.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

On her last voyage across the Pacific the T. K. K. "Hongkong-maru," when 300 miles from San Francisco, spoke the British ship "Leyland Brothers" from Antwerp for San Francisco. The captain of the ship signalled the liner to stop, and Captain Bent sent Chief Officer Stevens and Surgeon Hawhurst off in a boat to the vessel. The sea was too rough for them to board the "Leyland Brothers," but they learned from the captain of the vessel that five of his men were ill with beriberi, and that the ship's steward, Henry Trotman, had died. Dr. Hawhurst gave instructions as to the care of the sick men, and the "Hongkong-maru's" boat then returned and the liner proceeded. The "Leyland Brothers" had for some time been posted as overdue.

An interesting ship recently passed through Singapore, the German five-masted auxiliary barque "R. C. Rickmers," which arrived there from Bangkok with a full cargo of rice for Bremen.

The "R. C. Rickmers" is owned by the well-known Rickmers Line, of Bremen and her gross tonnage is 5,548 tons, while she can carry a cargo of 8,000 tons. The building of a sailing vessel of such huge proportions shows that whatever views may be held by some about the passing of the old white-winged, majestic sailing ship, the German firm have still faith in the wind for propelling a ship. But to be on the safe side her owners have equipped the handsome five-masted barque with triple expansion auxiliary engines, as a safeguard against unduly long passages.

Of course steaming, as far as this particular type of ship is concerned, ought not to be considered in the sense of passage making, for her engines are designed to give her only a six knot speed. Her bronze propeller, which is of special design, admirably serves the purpose of helping the ship along through calms and light contrary winds, but the making of a quick passage depends on her vast spread of canvas and clipper-like sailing qualities. Still the auxiliary engines will often help the vessel to literally "take a short cut" and this was evident at Singapore for she was able to steam away up the Straits of Malacca instead of taking the sailing vessel's usual course of beating through the Banda Straits.

Coping out to Saigon from New York on her maiden trip the "R. C. Rickmers" only took eighty-three days and a few hours to get over the 15,296 miles of intervening water, thus making the excellent average of 184 miles per day, or 7.66 knots an hour. The number of miles covered under sail alone was 9,942, an average of 208 miles a day. The engines were used to propel the ship the remaining 5,354 miles with the screw going she did her fifty miles a day, the engines being used only in the case of the steady on against head winds. That she is a regular flyer under sail was proved in the southern latitudes when she sailed off from 300 to 327 miles a day under favourable gales. On the whole, however, the vessel did not meet with favourable weather and the fact that she possessed engines enabled her to make headway during these adverse conditions. Had she been a sailing ship pure and simple there is no doubt the voyage would have been a very protracted one.

During the outward trip Mr. Andrew Rickmers, senior partner of the owning firm and whose brain evolved the ship, was a passenger on her—S. Free Press.

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SHANGHAI'S POLICE.

Sikh Leaders Deported.

On November 16 ten Indian constables at Shanghai charged under article 83 of the Order in Council 1904 in connection with the Sikh Police strike on September 29 were given four days in which to find security varying in amount for their future good behaviour. Sir Haviland de Saumarez, police magistrate, found that in the case of the constables the security they were prepared to offer was not satisfactory and sentence of deportation to India was passed on them; the others were remanded again. As was anticipated, firm and intelligent handling of the Sikhs has had an immediate result. The inability of the ringleaders in the strike to find security may be taken to imply that they have been repudiated by the rest of the men and the elimination of their sinister influence should enable the whole force to be brought into line without much difficulty. It may well be forgotten, however, that this satisfactory state of affairs has been brought about by the instrumentality of a British officer, belonging to a Sikh regiment, whose services have been lent temporarily by the General in command of His Majesty's troops in North China. Some talk is under agreement to return to Britain in a few days and the Municipal Council will be left again without a police officer able to communicate with the Sikh police in their own language. The Jemadar who has accompanied Major Hall remains for a longer period and will look after the services will prove invaluable. Nevertheless it is evident that for the permanent maintenance of discipline among the Sikh police the presence of a British officer speaking their language is essential and it is to be hoped that a sense of temporary security from anxiety will not deter the Council from engaging such an officer at once.

A WORD TO TRAVELLERS.
[THE] excitement incident to travelling and change of food and water often brings on diarrhoea, and for this reason one should have without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Sold by all chemists and druggists.

A CHARACTER STUDY.

"Such language," said an American, "represents an acrimonious and rather personal debate, 'reminds me of the staid editorials of the famous Ridd, of Salt Rock.' Ridd, of Salt Rock, wielded a pen like a bludgeon. I have by heart a sample of his style, a brief character study of a rival editor. The character study runs like this: 'Did any reader ever see the editor of our esteemed contemporary? Take an eight-bushel sack about as long as you may as a butter. Fill with it bran. Hit both ends heavily with a club, so as to swell it out in the center. That is our friend physically. Now take a half-witted, well-fed hot-blooded inject into him the largest possible amount of opium. Extricate him from his three-fourths of his brain and all his moral principles, and beat him over the head until he has forgotten what little he ever knew. And there you have our friend mentally.'"

A SOAP TRUST.

Fifteen Ounces to the Pound.

A soap trust has been formed at Hong Kong consisting of the following firms—W. H. Lever Bros, Gossage and Sons, Joseph Watson and Sons, Crossfield and Son, Ogston and Tennant, Barrington and Sons, Christopher Thomas Bros., E. Cook and Co., Vinnells, Hudson and Simpson, Tyson, Richmond and Jones, and Bramble.

One of their first acts was to reduce the 1lb. bar of soap to 15 ounces, as the Daily Mirror and Lever Bros diminished 200 employees. Arranged against the trust are the following: Pears, Kynoch, Hedley (Newcastle), Fells-Napier, John Knight and Sons, W. D. and W. Gibbs, Richard W. Rowe, Price, and W. Gibbs, Hamilton, J. Marston (Preston), Goodwin and Sons (Manchester), Thomas (Exeter), and Everard (Brighton).

FOREIGN MODELLED TROOPS.

A Recent Inspection.

Their Excellencies Tuan Fang, Viceroy of the Kwangtung provinces, and Chang Heng, Tatar General of Kiangsi (Yunnan), held a check inspection of the foreign-modelled troops in Nanking early in November. Nearly 6,000 troops of all arms participated. During the manoeuvres there was a sham fight, in which half of the troops were supposed to attempt the capture of the southern capital (Nanking) and the other half to defend the approaches to that city. The latter were adjudged to have been successful in their object. It is stated that H.E. Viceroy Tuan Fang intends to hold an examination of the field and subordinate officers of the various regiments in Nanking and Kiangsi in the near future. The qualifications of the troops are being tested, and the places are to be filled by graduates from the Military Academies of Tientsin, Wuchang and Nanking. His Excellency brought down no less than sixty officers from the Tientsin Military Academy, and there is every evidence that the Viceroy is determined to reorganize thoroughly not only the civil but also the military administration in his Viceroyalty.

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